

Ponderosa Pine - Pinyon Pine - Juniper / Blue Grama Woodland (12)

Location: This map unit is widespread throughout the mapping area and is abundant on the west side of the project area, decreasing gradually to the east. This type occurs on primarily uplands both north and south of Walnut Canyon.

Photosignature: Ponderosa pines appear as red specks, while pinyon and juniper trees appear as brown specks. Taller ponderosas have black shadows. The stands are generally open, so the overall appearance is that of coarse sandpaper; red and brown specks in a pale gray matrix. The complete absence or dramatic reduction of Gambel oak stands (appearing as brick red clumps) distinguishes this type from Map Unit 13.

